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The reply filed on April 27, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): claim 57 has not been placed into condition for allowance since it is not rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. It is noted that claim 57 does not include all the limitations of intervening claim 56. In particular, claim 57 does not recite "from an amount of ink consumption used by said print head". See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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